

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as follows.

The following lists all claims and their status:

1. (Currently Amended) A water amusement system, comprising:
  - a first water amusement ride;
  - a second water amusement ride; ~~and~~
  - an elevation system configured to convey at least one flexible inflated vehicle from an exit point of the first water amusement ride, or a point subsequent to such exit point, to an entry point of the second water amusement ride, wherein the exit point of the first ride and the entry point of the second ride are at different elevation levels; and
  - a second elevation system configured to convey at least one flexible inflated vehicle from the exit point of the second or any subsequent water amusement ride to the entry point of the first water amusement ride.
2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the water ride comprises at least one water releasing mechanism configured to inject water onto a surface of the water ride such that a body of flowing water is produced on the surface of the water ride.
3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the elevation system or the second elevation system comprises a spiral transport device.
4. (Cancelled)

5. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein an exit point of the second water amusement ride and an entry point of the first water amusement ride are coupled.
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 15, further comprising a third water amusement ride, wherein an exit point of the third ride is coupled to the exit of the second water ride, and wherein an entry point of the third or any subsequent ride is coupled to the entry point of the first ride.
8. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 7, wherein the exit point of the third or any subsequent ride is coupled to the exit of the second water ride with a body of water, and wherein an entry point of the third ride is coupled to the entry point of the first ride with a body of water.
9. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a floating queue line coupled to an entry point of at least one of the water amusement rides.
10. (Original) The system of claim 9, wherein the floating queue line comprises a queue line channel wherein the queue line channel is configured to hold water at a depth sufficient to allow a flexible inflated vehicle to float within the queue line channel during use, and wherein the floating queue line is coupled to the water ride such that a flexible inflated vehicle remains in the water while being transferred from the channel along the floating queue line to the water ride.
11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the elevation system or the second elevation system comprises a water slide.

12. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the elevation system or the second elevation system comprises an uphill water slide.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the elevation system or the second elevation system comprises a conveyor belt system.

16. (Currently Amended) A water amusement system, comprising:

a first water amusement ride;

a second water amusement ride; and

an elevation system configured to convey a flexible inflated vehicle from an exit point of the first water amusement ride to an entry point of the second water amusement ride, wherein the exit point of the first ride and the entry point of the second ride are at different elevation levels;

wherein the exit point of the second water amusement ride and the entry point of the first water amusement ride are coupled; and

a third water amusement ride, wherein an exit point of the third ride is coupled to the exit of the second water ride, and wherein an entry point of the third ride is coupled to the entry point of the first ride.

17. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the water ride comprises at least one water releasing mechanism configured to inject water onto a surface of the water ride such that a body of flowing water is produced on the surface of the water ride.

18. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the elevation system comprises a spiral transport device.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16, further comprising a second elevation system configured to convey at least one flexible inflated vehicle from the exit point of the second water amusement ride to the entry point of the first water amusement ride.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~21~~16, wherein the exit point of the third ride is coupled to the exit of the second water ride with a body of water, and wherein an entry point of the third ride is coupled to the entry point of the first ride with a body of water.

23. (Original) The system of claim 16, further comprising a floating queue line coupled to an entry point of at least one of the water amusement rides.

24. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the floating queue line comprises a queue line channel wherein the queue line channel is configured to hold water at a depth sufficient to allow a flexible inflated vehicle to float within the queue line channel during use, and wherein the floating queue line is coupled to the water ride such that a flexible inflated vehicle remains in the water while being transferred from the channel along the floating queue line to the water ride.

25. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the elevation system comprises a water slide.

26. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the elevation system comprises an uphill water slide.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein the elevation system comprises a conveyor belt system.

30. (Cancelled)

31-224 (Cancelled)